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### Good Energy program promotes cost cutting energy products

WHITEHORSE – Renewing the Good Energy rebate program will cut greenhouse gas emissions and energy costs for Yukoners.

"Over the past year we saw the number of applications rise more than 50 per cent," Energy, Mines and Resources Minister Patrick Rouble said. "This increase shows there is strong desire for energy efficient products."

In 2009-10, there were 990 applications accepted for a total rebate to Yukoners of \$180,700. Applications included 753 for Energy Star® rated household appliances; 154 for energy efficient heating appliances; and 83 for low-emission boat motors.

"The Good Energy program supports our energy strategy by providing Yukoners the opportunity to replace products with more efficient ones that can reduce energy consumption and costs," Rouble said. "It also supports Yukon's coordinated approach to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, now and in the future."

Offered through the Energy Solutions Centre, the program provides cash rebates ranging from \$100 to \$1,200 on high-efficiency kitchen and laundry appliances; solar domestic hot water systems; pellet and wood stoves; oil and propane furnaces, and boilers; and outboard boat motors.

Products must meet specific energy efficiency requirements to be eligible for the rebate. A number of industry standards for efficiency and emissions are used: Energy Star® and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) certification.

Changes in the Good Energy program for the upcoming year include:

- An increase in rebate from \$200 to \$300 for household appliances for residents in communities where the primary source of electricity comes from diesel generation;
- An increased rebate for pellet burning heating appliances to 20 per cent of the product purchase price to a maximum of \$600;
- An increase in rebate for high-efficiency furnaces and boilers with an AFUE efficiency of 90 per cent or greater, for oil burning appliances; and 92 per cent or greater for propane burning appliances up to \$600; and,
- An increase in rebate for solar hot water heating systems to 15 per cent of the materials costs to a maximum of \$1,200.

Eligible Good Energy products are available at many Yukon retailers. Rebate forms and program information are available at retailers or at the Energy Solutions Centre at 206A Lowe Street in Whitehorse, toll-free 1-800-662-0408, extension 7063, 867-393-7063 or online at [www.esc.gov.yk.ca](http://www.esc.gov.yk.ca).

For information about the Yukon Energy Strategy or the Climate Change Action Plan visit [www.gov.yk.ca](http://www.gov.yk.ca).

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Attachment: summary of Good Energy eligible products, rebate amounts, and eligibility criteria.

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\* Yukon's non-hydro powered communities are: Beaver Creek, Burwash Landing, Destruction Bay, Old Crow, Pelly Crossing, upper Liard and Watson Lake.

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